



THE CONNECTION

Barnwell-Bamberg Baptist Association

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January 8-10

DOM & Wives Retreat

January 11 9:00 AM

Pastors/Ministers Conference
Barnwell FBC

January 13 9:00 AM

Task Force Mtg. BBBA office

January 14 10:00 AM

ABC Hispanic Min. Committee Mtg.

January 25-27

Band of Brothers, White Oak

January 26 7:00 PM

Executive Committee Meeting
BBBA Office

January 27 8:00 AM

Food Pantry Open



Nearly ninety guests came to the Hispanic Christmas Party December 8th. The guests received donated Christmas gifts. Read more about this outreach event in Tony Hancock's article on the back page. Thank you for your support of ABC Regional Hispanic Missions.

As the Barnwell-Bamberg Baptist Association:

We believe in the Great Commission

We believe in the local church

We believe we are more effective together

Therefore, we are an association of local churches intentionally partnering in missions, starting churches, strengthening churches and developing leaders.



February 16 6:45 PM

Brotherhood Meeting, Blackville FBC

February 23

Every Believer a Witness Pastor
Training Clinic, Bamberg FBC

Congratulations to St. John's for being recognized as the 2015 highest per capita giving church to Connie Maxwell Children's Home

OUR ASSOCIATION IS HOSTING
"EVERY BELIEVER A WITNESS"
PASTOR TRAINING CLINIC

February 23, 2016

Bamberg First Baptist

Contact Darrell to register

The International Mission Board helps our local leaders to develop. Two IMB missionaries, Steve Smith and Ying Kai, co-wrote an extremely impactful book: T4T: A Discipleship Revolution. Our pastors who read it are challenged in many ways: lifestyle evangelism; making disciples and training them to make disciples; and mobilizing Christians to live out God's calling. Get it and read it!

**Executive
Committee Meeting**
7:00 PM
Tuesday, January 26
Association
Office



Prayer Walk
the Oak Grove
Community

Help pray for the church re-start in our region on Sunday afternoon on January 17. For more details read the article on page two.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Minister's Conference

9:00 AM January 11 at Barnwell FBC

Speaker: Rev. Jimmy Tarrant, Founder of
Manhood Ministries

The 2016 Monthly Planning Guides from
Southern Mutual Church Ins. Are available at
the association office.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Wednesday 9:00 AM-12:00 PM
Closed on Thursday and Friday



JANUARY 2

Travis Terry, *Interim Pastor's Wife, Double Pond*
Bob Scroggs, *Pastor, Ashleigh*
Mary Olive Mew, *Interim Pastor's Wife, Hunters Chapel*

JANUARY 4

Mark Watford, *Pastor, Seven Pines*

JANUARY 8

John Nixon, *Retired Pastor*

JANUARY 21

Karen Fogle, *Pastor's Wife, Rosemary*

JANUARY 22

Martha Boineau, *Retired Pastor's Wife*

JANUARY 23

Donnie Delk, *Retired Pastor*

Caring for Others

**Thank you for giving
coats and sweaters to the
needy! So far we have
given away 466 items.**

Let's Start Out Right in 2016!

Most of us know how important church starting, ministering to men and evangelism are. And we know we should be intentional about these vital ministries. Your Baptist Association can help you be intentional with three events early in 2016. Consider taking part. These events can help us start out right in the new year.

JANUARY 17: PRAYER WALK FOR A CHURCH RE-START

Join with other believers from different churches as we prayer walk the Oak Grove community on Sunday, January 17 at 3:00 PM. Plans are to restart Oak Grove Baptist Church as a mission of Varnville FBC. Our churches are invited to help with this re-start. I have been involved from the beginning of this current process. It is already exciting to see what the Lord may do! If you need directions contact Varnville FBC at 803-943-3089. Please pray for this re-start.

FEBRUARY 16 BROTHERHOOD MEETING

Hear Rev. Jimmy Tarrant, founder of Manhood Ministries, Pastor of Woodside Baptist Church and author of Solitary Confinement. His book deals with the trap of pornography and how to be free of this addictive sin. Invite your friends!

FEBRUARY 23: "EVERY BELIEVER A WITNESS" PASTOR TRAINING CLINIC

Dennis Nunn will equip pastors to lead a seven-week Sunday morning evangelism emphasis in their own churches using his materials. I have attended this clinic: it is so helpful that I scheduled this clinic to be held near us. Results from some churches are amazing. Contact me to learn more and to find out how to register. You can also go to everybelieverawitness.org. Pastor, sign up to come even if you do not know if you will lead this in your church. You will be glad you did.

Darrell



The Christmas season is a natural time to share with others the Good News of Christ's coming. This is the purpose of our annual Christmas party, held at First Baptist Church in Allendale. This year, the party was held on December 8th. As the hour arrived and passed, it seemed likely that our attendance would be lower this year. Fifteen minutes after we were scheduled to begin, only about twenty-five (25)

Hispanics had arrived.

We decided that the Lord would bring those He wanted to attend, and we began the event with games. As the children played and enjoyed themselves, people began to trickle in. The games stretched out a little longer than we had planned as people continued to arrive. We sang a couple of Christmas songs as people continued to enter the fellowship hall.

By the time I presented the Gospel using the Christmas story, between eighty (80) and ninety (90) adults and children filled the seats around the tables. They listened intently as I spoke about hearing the Good News and responding to it, just as the shepherds did.

Afterwards, we shared a joyous time of refreshments and gifts. A heartfelt "Thank you" to all the churches that contributed in order to make this event possible. Will you join me in praying that eternal fruit would come from the Gospel seeds planted during this event? As always, thank you for your prayers and support of ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries.

Tony Hancock,
Director of Hispanic Missions, ABC Regional Hispanic Ministries